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IN SMOOTH WATERS AT LAST.

WASHINGTON, July 12.—Forecast for Wednesday and Thursday: Virginia—Fair Wednesday and Thursday; warmer Wednesday in east portion

light to fresh west winds.

North Carolina—Fair and warmer Wednesday; Thursday fair; light, variable

Richmond.

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Contract for the greetlon of the two wings to the Capitol and the renovation of the original structure awarded to W. A. Chesterman for SiR wo, the lowest bid of the eight submitted; work will begin August ist, and the excavation is to be made by convicts. Brakeman of the Richmond, Predericksburg and Potomac road receives injuries from which he dies in a few hours—Another storm of mingled cleetricity, wind and rain sweeps over Kichmond, doing considerable damage; number of casualties from lighting reported in various sections of the State—Masurier ordinance passes Board of Aldermen without a dissenting vote, but effort to lower price of gus fails, the ordinance being referred to the Finance Committee, where it will sleep—John M. King to pay his fine of Silo, proparatory to this release July 31st. MANCHESTER—Serious fire averted—Daughters of Liberty and I. O. O. F. instail officers—Big picnics—Wedding in Washington—Police News—Pergonal and Briefs.

Virginia.

cation convenes at Newport NewsVerilot against Virginia and Soutiwestern Rallway for \$7,00 set aside in Bristol
court—Petersburg Chamber of Commerca urges the improvement of Washington Birect—Interesting report on Work
of improvement in Petersburg harbor
during the year—Staunton hall teem defeats Cherokees in afternoon, but is
besten at night—Negro prisoner releases
limself from Orango jall by cutting a ley
out of sheet from and unlocking the door
—Meckleinburg seeking the establishment of a graded school—John E. Pruden, of Nansemond, shot by his brotherfin-law by accident and will probably die,

North Carolina.

District Association of School Superintendents discusses favorably public ownership of text-books—State exhibit at St. Louis attracting much attention—Trial of Breeze embezziement case begun amotion to quash the indictment overruled—Mr. Bailinger stabs negre fireman in self-defense—Republicans of Mocklenhurg county to put up full ticket—Dr. C. A. Smith declines the offer of presidency of the University of Tonnessee—Stranger at Henderson shot with his own pistol.

General.

Reported that 30409 Japanese killed by Russian mines; statement is not below the Russian proper from post to post, desperately fighting; British, steamers stopped by Russians on high seas at the statement of the Russians of the Russians on high seas at the statement of the Russians on high seas at the statement of the Russians on high seas at the statement of the Russians on high seas at the statement of the Russians on high seas at the statement of the Russians on high seas at the statement of the Russians on high seas at the statement of the Russians on high seas at the statement of the Russians on high seas at the statement of the Russians on high seas at the statement of the Russians on high seas at the statement of the Russians on high seas at the statement of the Russians on high seas at the statement of the Russians on the Russians on the Russians on high seas at the Russians on the Russians on

SUMMARY OF THE DAY'S NEWS HUGS HIS CHAGRIN, BUT L VOTE THE TICKET

Bryan Issues Statement and Assails Financial Policy of Democrats.

SOUNDS NOTE OF WARNING

Will Wait Until Election and Then Begin to Organize for Control in 1908.

(By Associated Press.) LINCOLN, NEB., July 12.-W. J. Bryan o-day gave out the following statement: shall vote for Parker and Davis, the nominees of the Democratic

Davis, the nominees of the Democratic National Convention, and shall do so for the following reasons:

"First. Recause the Democratic ticket stands for opposition, to imperialism, while the Republican ticket stands for an imperialistic policy. On this question, which was the paramont issue in 1900, and which must remain an important issue so long as an attempt is made to hold colonies under the American flag—on this issue the convention was unanimous, the platform emphatic, and, I have no doubt that the candidate will carry out the platform.

The Race Question.

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"Second. Mr. Roosevelt is injecting the race issue into American pollities and this issue, if it becomes mational, will make it impossible to consider economic questions that demand solution. The election of the Democratic ticket will put a quietus upon this attempt and permit the race question to work itself out without the bitterness which Mr. Roosevelt's conduct has engendered.

"Third. Mr. Roosevelt stands for

Mr. Roosevelt stands for resent him as a man of blood and the life believes in strenuousness and inculcates a love for warlike things. The Democratic ticket stands for peace, for reason, and for arbitration rather than for force, conquest

declares in favor of a reduction of the standing army, and as this plank was unanimously adopted, there is cess on the subject would bring some advantage to the people.

Attitude on Money.

"For these four reasons, I feel justified in supporting the ticket, but I will not misropresent the situation or appeal for votes for the ticket on false grounds. A Democratic victory will

BACK ON HIS

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St. Louis Safe and

Sound.

PEDESTAL AGAIN

FOR GORMAN

Astute Leader Talked One Way and Worked the Other.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

F. Murphy, the leader of the Tammany

F. Murphy, the leader of the Tammany Hall, never desired to see Grover Cleveland nominated to the presidency instead of Judge Parker. This interesting, if not important, statement was made here tonight by a man 'on the inside," Who is very close to Murphy.

"Murphy had the country guessing for several montus," said this gentleman, who positively forbade the use of his name in connection with the story. "The country was kept busy frying to figure out Murphy's reasons for declaring for Cleveland, recalling how hitterly Tamneny had fought him in 1884 and again in 1882. Murphy only condinued to protest that he was for the nomination of Gorman, I know this. I know that he and Gorman and Guffey, of Pennsylvania, were in conference three-times in the course of a month preceding the St. Louis convention, and that each time the subject of the conference was the candidacy of Mr. Gorman, and the means of furthering his interest. Mr. Gorman was a candidate up to the time of the assembling of the convention. He did not so to the convention, for the reason that he shought, or at least hoped, his name would be presented. His son went, and as soon as he arrived began, with Murphy's aid, to solidify the opposition to Judge Parker. In this he was successful. He and those working with him found that they could get several more than one-third of the delegates. But when they had done this, they discovered that Gorman would not be nominated, and that the Parker forces, and a sufficient number of the anti-Parker delegates, would go to Cleveland to insure his nomination. would go to Cleveland to insure

his nomination.

"Young Gorman wired his father that the defeat of Parker meant Cleveland, and the father wired back to take Parker. Never be deceived into believing Murphy wanted Cleveland or that Gorman wanted him. I believe Murphy would rather have had Parker."

The real choice of Murphy has never before been published. He has said he would see to it that New York city gives Parker as great a majority as it gave George B. McClellan for the mayoralty last fall.

STARTED FIRE

Thomas Jefferson Arrives in Two Men Brutally Murdered in Brooklyn-Arrests Made.

GREAT ARMY SAID TO HAVE BEEN WIPED OUT

Reported That 30,000 Japanese Were Slain

NO CONFIRMATION OF STATEMENT

Details Are Meagre and Rumors May be Wild Exaggerations.

ROAR OF GUNS NOW HEARD IN EVERY DIRECTION

Oku Pushes On, Driving the Russians Before Him-Possible Complications With Great Britain - Baltic Squadron Again Being Talked of.

By Paul Lambeth.

FROM ST. PETERSBURG.

What the Russian Correspondent Says of the Reported Slaughte

(By Associated Press.)
ST. PETERSBURG, July 12.—A dispatch from a Russian correspondent at

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A NEGRO PRISONER MANUFACTURES KEY MASURIER WINS

TO HIDE GRIME How a Burglar Escaped From the Jail at Orange County.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ORANGE, VA., July 12.—The negro who broke into the Jewelry store here and was in Jall awaiting trial, made his escape sometime during the night Saturday. He made a key out of sheet-iron and unlocked the cage door, in which he was kept and then took a blanket and tied one end of it to the iron bar in the outside window and let himself down. He has not been heard of since.

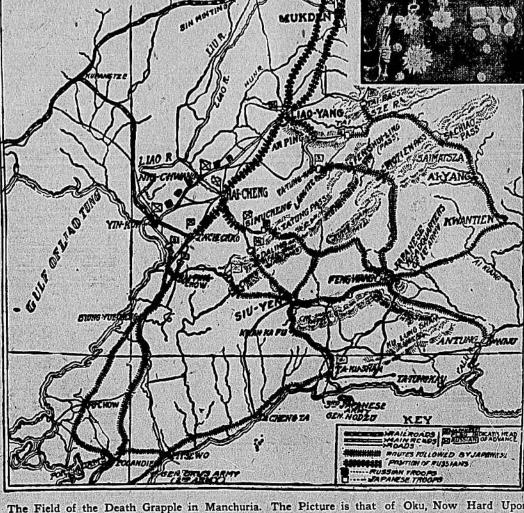
Mr. J. D. Kennon, a farmer, near this place, had four young cows, two hogs and one mule killed by lightning during the severe thunder storm which passed over this section Saturday night.

WANT HELP TO-DAY.

The 18 advertisements for help published in to-day's Times-Dispatch of page 8 are as follows:

3 Domestics. 7 Salesmen. 2 Office Help. 1 Trade. 5 Miscellaneous.

This not only interests those out of work, but those desiring to improve their positions as well.



The Field of the Death Grapple in Manchuria. The Picture is that of Oku, Now Hard Upon

FATAL FIGHT | LIGHTNING'S IN ACCOMAC BE MERGED

Metropolitan and Richmond Saturday Night Row, in Which Two Colored Women and Well Trust and Safe Deposit Company in Close Relations.

Richmond is about to see a merger in bringing together the Metropolitan Bank and the Richmond Trust and Safe Deposit

It is understood that the directors of solidation, and it has been decided amendment of their charters, which has

Bank will meet in the office of that com-pany on July 21st at 11 o'clock, and this pany at 12 o'clock on the same day. pany at 12 o'clock on the same day.

It is regarded as practically certain, that the ratification will be made and that the consolidation will thereby be effected. Preparatory to the extension of its general banking operations, the trust company has recently associated Mr. T. K. Sands, formerly cashier of the National Bank of Virginia, with it as vice-president and director. One Man is Killed, Three Wounded and One Beaten

shot and "Dink" Sterling, Samuel Trader and a German mill hand, name unknown, were wounded by bullets, and Thomas Smith was badly beaten, Luther Trader died early Sunday mor-

and Samuel Trader, "Dink" Sterling was

head and also through an elbow. The

and was started by Samuel Trader striking Smith with the spoke of a cart wheel. Smith is a son-in-law of Samuel Trader. There has been bad blood between the men for several years. The right between the two men resulted in both drawing revolvers and firing until they weapons were empty.

The bullet that kiled Luther Trader struck him in the stomach.

His Ordinance Now Awaits Fell From Box Car and Was Only the Mayor's Signature.

WITH GREAT EASE

The Board of Aldermen last night by a ote of 17 to 0 adopted the Masurler orlinance to prevent "pernicious political activity" on the part of city officials and it now only lacks the approval of His Honor, the Mayor, which it will sure-

ly get, in order to become a law.

The effect of the ordinance will be general shaking up in the City Committee and in the present constitution of the city election machinery, as there are many city employes on the committee and holding positions as judges and clerks of election. The ordinance becomes operative on September 1st, and those affected by its provisions go out without any formal action on their part, simply by virtue of its passage.

The ordinance went through the lower branch at the last meeting of that body without a dissenting voice, and Captain Masurier is being congratulated warm ly on his successful battle.

The vacancies of judges and clerks of election, occasioned by the ordinance will have to be filled before the fall elections, and those on the City Committee will likely be taken up at the first meeting in September.

BRAKEMAN MARTIN'S INJURIES FATAL

Crushed-Lived Only About Twelve Hours.

While braking on the yards of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad, on Monday night, Charles Martin fell from a box car and sustained in-

juries, which resulted in his death. Martin was in the act of taking the brake off his car, the train being at a

standstill. Slipping in some way, he fell between the cars, and his body was crushed, together with several ribs.

Dr. J. M. Winfree, the company's surgon, was summoned and found the man to be in a serious condition, he being injured internally. He was taken to his liome and remained conscious up to the hour of his death, which occurred at 12:30 yesterday afternoon.

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Mr. Martin lived at No. 1300 West Marstall, and is survived by a wife and one small child. He was in the twenty-fifth year of his age. *
The funeral will take place this after-nom at 5 o'cleck from Pine Street Bap-tist Church.

tist Church.

STEAMER ARRIVES WITH

HER ENGINES DISABLED

(By Associated Press.)

ROTTERDAM, July 12-The French steamer
Trignac, Captain Tolin, from New York and Norfolk, for this port, has arrived at Massashuls, eleven miles west of Rotterdam, Rith her engines Gaabled.

which a well known Danville man was the victim:

"During the storm that passed over this section yesterday Mr. John Ware was struck by lightning while at work on the nightning while at work on the minute by the large was struck in the forehead, and the electric field ran down his breast the storm of Mr. W. H. Hodges, at Gata-wood. N. C. and instantity killed.

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Known White Man Slain.

TERRIFIC WIND-STORM

Trees Mutilated and Rences Prostrated by the Tortuous Blasts.

of Monday, when the water fell in sheets very other known way. urbances of unusual severity, and or extent over a wider area. The combined markably heavy, and overflowed the gutters and the sewers, and, in some

gutters and the sewers, and, in some cases, inuidated lowlying portions of the city. The rains were what are provincially known as "gully-washers," and in many cases have damaged unpaved streets and roads severely.

The remarkable feature of the storms of yesterday and Monday and of the past week has been the number of persons and of buildings struck by lightning. A sumber of fatalities from thunderboits have been reported from Virginia and North Carolina, and in this city several houses and trees have been struck and, damaged or shattered by the deadly lightnings. Reports from many sections have not yet been received, and when the full returns of the damage by the storm of yesterday are in it will be found that even more damage and probably other fatalities have occurred.

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On Monday afternoon, near the farm
of James Moore, near Garysville, Prince
George county, while Esther Jones, a
colored woman, accompanied by several
other persons, was resunting work in the
fields after the rain, a thunderholt from
an apparently distant cloud struck the
woman, killing her almost immediately.
Three other negroes and a white man
were shocked and severely injured by the
same bolt,
A young man named Clarence Ware was
struck and killed by lightning last week
near Sandidge's, in Amherst county. He
was engaged in plowing when the storm
came up, and in seeking refuge from the
rain he and his horse were both struck
by the electric fluid and killed.

Well Known Danville Man
The following special from The Times-

The following special from The Times-Dispatch correspondent at Danville yes-terday tells of a fatality from lightning near that elly on Monday afternoon, of which a well known Danville man was the